

schedules, recommend Kirkwood sites and attractions, help passengers board trains, issue parking passes, and keep the station open and running in accordance with the Amtrak train schedule.

Some may question whether an all-volunteer run train station can compete with other staff-operated stations across the country. Let me tell you—Kirkwood Amtrak Train Station's honors and awards speak for themselves. In 2004, the Kirkwood station volunteers were recognized with Amtrak's prestigious "Champion of the Rails" award, marking this station as the only non-employee station to ever receive the award.

Perhaps more impressively, the Kirkwood Amtrak Train Station's recent customer satisfaction scores placed it No. 1 in the country. With friendly smiles and warm service, the Kirkwood station volunteers have set themselves apart from all other Amtrak stations, logging over 50,000 hours of service to the City of Kirkwood, and welcoming more than 500,000 visitors and passengers through the station doors.

I am proud these deserving citizens hail from my home State of Missouri. Their generous commitment to the City of Kirkwood and to travelers from all over the country serves as an inspiration to the people of Missouri.

I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the volunteers of the Kirkwood Amtrak Train Station for their distinguished service to the residents and visitors of Kirkwood.●

REMEMBERING JOHN BRANTLEY CRAWLEY

● Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, today I wish to pay tribute to Judge John Brantley Crawley of Brundidge, AL, who passed away on June 4, 2013. I met and talked with Judge Crawley when I ran for attorney general in Alabama in 1994, and when he decided to run for an associate judgeship on the Alabama Court of Civil Appeals. He won and ably served becoming the presiding judge on the court in 2005, a position he held until his retirement in 2007.

I liked him. He was a man of personal integrity and decency. He had no ego problems. He had good judgment and was comfortable in himself and with others. He was a real lawyer who had represented thousands of normal people walking about. This experience taught him about people and legal issues. That experience made him the fine judge that he was.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 48 years, Sherrie Johnston Crawley; son, Brant; brother, Larry; and sister, Nancy. Judge Crawley was a genuine and generous man, a modest man, with a keen sense of humor. His career included 40 years of practicing law and 18 years serving the Alabama Courts and his contributions to justice in Alabama and the rule of law are most deserving of this recognition.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-2038. A communication from the Board Chair and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Administration's 2012 compensation program adjustments; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2039. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the annual plan and certification for the procurement of aircraft for the Department of Defense; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2040. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Solicitation Provisions and Contract Clauses for Acquisition of Commercial Items" ((RIN0750-AH70) (DFARS Case 2012-D056)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2041. A communication from the Chairman of the Appraisal Subcommittee, Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Appraisal Subcommittee's 2012 Annual Report; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2042. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's management reports and statements on system of internal controls for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2043. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Regulations; National Park System, Demonstrations, Sale or Distribution of Printed Matter" (RIN1024-AD91) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2013; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-2044. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA)"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-2045. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fuel Oil Systems for Emergency Power Supplies" (Regulatory Guide 1.137, Revision 2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2046. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Quality Assurance Program Requirements (Operation)" (Regulatory Guide 1.33, Revision 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2047. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Environmental Review for Renewal of Nuclear Power Plant Operating Licenses" (RIN3150-AI42) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2048. A communication from the Chairman, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Report to the Congress: Medicare and the Health Care Delivery System"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2049. A communication from the Acting Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's 2013 Annual Report of the Supplemental Security Income Program; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2050. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, consistent with the War Powers Act, a report relative to the deployment of certain U.S. forces to Jordan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2051. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease: 2013 Update"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2052. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Brookhaven National Laboratory in Upton, New York, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2053. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress Related to Integrated Food Safety Centers of Excellence as Required by the Food Safety Modernization Act of 2011 (FSMA)"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2054. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Listing of Color Additives Exempt From Certification; Mica-Based Pearlescent Pigments" (Docket No. FDA-2012-C-0224) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2013; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2055. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Orphan Drug Regulations" ((RIN0910-AG72) (Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0583)) received in the Office of the President